GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:799
ANSWERED ON:22.11.2001
TELECAST OF JUNIOR WORLD HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIP
PUTTASWAMY GOWDA;RUDRAGOUDA PATIL

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Delhi Doordarshan did not telecast live, at least the finals of the Junior World HockeyChampionship held on October 21,2001 at Hobart, Australia, even though Indian team had entered the final;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the corrective measures proposed to be taken in this matter?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SMT. SUSHMA SWARAJ)

(a) & (b) : Prasar Bharati has intimated that they had entered into anagreement with the Indian Hockey Federation (IHF)under which IHF is required, inter-alia, to assist Doordarshan in acquiring satellite and terrestrial telecast rights for the territory of India, whenever the Indian hockey team is participating in any international Hockey event, be it within or outside India. Nooffer was received from the IHF for the Junior World Hockey Championship.

(c) : Prasar Bharati has intimated that action has been taken to acquire the highlights of the event for telecast on DD-Sports Channel.